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SUBJECT: U.S. CUSTOMS CCINC IN-COUNTRY TRAINING

REF: STATE 127731

1. BOLIVIA NCAP FOR FY 1976 AND 1977 REQUESTS TRAINING OF BOLIVIAN CUSTOMS OFFICERS BY U.S. CUSTOMS IN BOTH CCINC NARCOTICS INTERDICTION TRAINING AND INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT. STATE 127731 APPROVES NCAP REQUEST.
2. U.S. CUSTOMS IS NOW PREPARED TO SCHEDULE IN-COUNTRY TRAINING FOR 50/60 BOLIVIAN CUSTOMS OFFICERS AT CONVENIENCE OF GOB AND EMBASSY. ANY DATES AFTER FEBRUARY 9, 1976 ARE ACCEPTABLE TO U.S. CUSTOMS.
3. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT TWO CONSECUTIVE TWO-WEEK COURSES BY CONDUCTED, TO BE FOLLOWED BY A ONE-WEEK INSTRUCTOR

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DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. EACH 2-WEEK COURSE WOULD TRAIN

25/30 CUSTOMS OFFICERS. THE INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT COURSE CAN ACCOMMODATE 12/15 PARTICIPANTS. IF VISIT BY U.S. CUSTOMS REPRESENTATIVE FROM WASHINGTON TO FINALIZE DETAILS AND OUTLINE COURSE CONTENT IS DESIRED BY EMBASSY, PLEASE ADVISE.

4. DURING THE REMAINDER OF FY 1976 U.S. CUSTOMS WILL BE SCHEDULING IN-COUNTRY TRAINING IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES

ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS. AS A RESULT, PLEASE INFORM ASAP AS TO AVAILABLE TRAINING DATES IN LA PAZ.

5. PLEASE DIRECT REPLY TO B. COLE, U.S. CUSTOMS INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS DIVISION. KISSINGER

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